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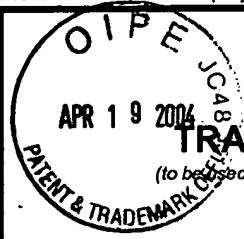
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114 160	214 80	Provisional filing fee	

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	-	20**	=	4	x 18	=	72.00
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103 18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20
102 84	202 42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104 290	204 145	Multiple dependent claim
109 86	209 43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
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139 130	139 130	Non-English specification	
147 2,520	147 2,520	Request for reexamination	
112 920	112 920	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
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115 110	215 55	Extension for response within first month	110.00
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121 290	221 145	Request for oral hearing	
140 110	240 55	Petition to revive unavoidably abandoned application	
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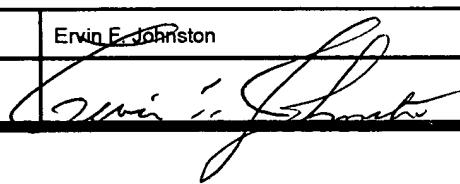
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